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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1890.

TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER DIVORCE CASE.
LONDON, November 30th.
Lady Connamara has gained a decree *absol.*

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P.M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu and Yokohama, on the 29th ult.

THE British flag ship *Imperialist*, Captain W. H. May, arrived here this forenoon from Port Hamilton (Korea) which place she left on the 29th ult.

A TIENTSIN correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury* is responsible for the allegation that H. E. Li Hung-chang has issued instructions to the Ordnance Department to purchase no further guns, rifles, ammunition or machinery from France.

THE Band of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess: this evening, commencing at 7.45 p.m.

Overture, "Light Cavalry" Supp.
Valse, "The Goodolies" Baccal.
Selection, "The Goodolies" Baccal.
Clair, "The Goodolies" Baccal.
Sélection, "The Goodolies" Baccal.

It is rumoured in Peking that Li Hung-chang has engaged the services of Admiral P. H. Colomb, R.N., in some capacity in connection with the Chinese Navy.

AN Emergency Convocation of Victoria Chapter, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Saturday, the 6th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m., precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

At the Regular Meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 125, held last night the following elections took place:—Bro. G. C. Anderson, Worshipful Master; A. E. Skeels, Treasurer and J. Maxwell, Tyler.

THE two Imperial Commissioners who carried the letter of condolence to the King of Korea in regard to the death of the Queen-Dowager, returned from Seoul a few days ago and were met at the railway station by His Excellency the Viceroy of Chili.

In our correspondence column will be found another letter on the late Conspiracy case from our able correspondent, Mr. C. W. Lee. In this journal, we have published about publishing on our own responsibility anything that might be taken as adversely criticising the acts of the Chief Justice, and considered it advisable to seek legal assistance on the matter. Our adviser's opinion is that the comments are perfectly fair and justifiable, and we therefore publish the letter with pleasure.

We have, says the *Yokohama Mail*, to record another shipping casualty, the steamer *Harima Maru* being reported on shore at Inuboya. No details have been received as to the actual position of the ship, but assistance was sent this morning, and it will soon be known whether she is to be a total loss or otherwise. The vessel left Yokohama on Nov. 7th for Nemuro, in charge of Capt. Kobayashi, and was probably returning to the same port when she went ashore in a heavy storm. Although a comparatively small vessel, she is nearly new and of a strong and serviceable type.

H.E. the Viceroy Li will establish a school for railway construction in connection with the Military School under a German Instructor, Mr. Daur, a representative of Krupp, who will teach the students *gratis*. A class of about twenty young men will soon be formed from the Military Departments. H.E. the Viceroy has appointed Lien Pang, the manager of the Shan-hai-kwan railway department. The *Chinese Times* thinks H.E. Li could hardly have made a better choice of men for the management of the future railway, than a man who, by his knowledge of foreign affairs and long residence abroad, will surely bring as much credit to the department as he has done to the school.

THE Chinese Government has begun to realize the importance of having men who are well versed in international law. Plenty of men who have been abroad as attachés to Legations, have returned to the country without having positions of importance, and who could be utilized. Many of them must have learned something about foreign affairs, and at worst will be better than those who have had no such experience. The *Shen Pao* therefore expresses its pleasure at the decision of H. E. Li Hung-chang, the ex-minister to the Court of St. James, the newly appointed Governor to Canton, to create a foreign department under his jurisdiction, so that his old attachés may be usefully employed. H. E. Li is taking a proper course to promote the China's welfare, by using her men in right places. China can no longer hold aloof from intercourse with other nations; she must keep up with the times both in internal and external improvements.

At the Police Court this morning before Mr. Wise the intimidation case in which a master tailor, Leung Kwong, charged three journeymen tailors with unlawfully using threats to his workmen in the early part of last month, was again heard. Mr. Philippo instructed by Mr. Moser appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Wotton defended. After examination of the witnesses and a lengthy summing up by both lawyers, his Worship said it was evident that the master tailor and the journeymen had been at variance for some time, and that this case was the outcome of their strained relations. At first he had been inclined to favour the complainants, but Mr. Wotton had brought several very important points forward in defence and he was of the opinion that perjury had been committed by some of the witnesses for the prosecution. He considered their case weak and discharged the defendants, who forthwith went on their way rejoicing.

THOSE connected with the shipping-trade of this colony will be glad to learn that Lieut. B. M. Chambers, R.N., has furnished a report on the alleged dangers in the vicinity of Gap Rock which has been issued as a "Notice to Mariners" by the Harbour Department. Lieut. Chambers' report runs as follows:—"The dangers in the vicinity of the Gap Rock consist of three submerged reefs marked on plan A, B and C. A is the only one likely to prove dangerous to shipping. A is situated due west from the flagstaff on the highest point of the island, distant 1/2 of a cable and 1/2 a cable from the nearest point of the shore. It consists of three heads and has 9 feet of water upon it. B is situated N. 18 W. from the flagstaff 6-10ths of a cable distant and about 30 yards from the nearest point of the island; it has 3 feet of water upon it. C is situated NE by N. 1/2 N. from the flagstaff, distant 9-10ths of a cable and about 30 yards from the shore. It consists of the outer part of the inner reef and the outer having 1 foot of water upon it. These appear to be all the dangers in the neighbourhood."

LORD Li, the adopted son of the Viceroy Li, and who is the newly appointed Minister to Japan, arrived at Tientsin on the 12th ultimo from Peking where he had audience of the emperor. He is expected by many to take the place of the late Marquis T'ai-yang in the diplomatic service. The noble lord is comparatively a young man, of about 35 years of age, having an energetic mind to perform the nation's work and with his father's rank and power he can do more in the affairs of the State than an ordinary official of even higher rank. It is said that Lord Li has a fair command of the English language, an invaluable accomplishment to a diplomat at the Court of the Mikado, where English is the Court language. The Government has a native paper which made a wise choice in appointing Lord Li to Japan, for he will probably bring these two sister nations into closer friendship by his genial manner and into closer friendship while at the Court of St. James as the Vice-Minister. After visiting his father and mother by adoption, and making the usual official calls, he will visit his native home in Anhui prior to leaving for the Land of the Rising Sun.

We are informed by the agent of the O. & O. S. S. Co., that the steamship *Oceanic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 13th ult., arrived at Yokohama to-day, and will leave for this port on Thursday, the 4th inst.

This morning Mr. Brushfield, barrister-at-law, lately admitted to practice at the Hongkong Bar, sat on the Bench with Mr. Wodehouse at the Police Court. It is said that Mr. Brushfield will soon be appointed to some post in connection with the Hongkong Bench; possibly as Mr. Wodehouse's substitute when that official goes home on leave shortly.

We note from the *Shanghai Mercury* that a Portuguese named J. B. Fonseca, for many years a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head at his residence on the 17th ult. Shortly after ten o'clock in the morning he sent his boy out with a chair and then retired to his bed-room. He was not seen again until a friend of his, calling some time afterwards, found him in his room seated at a writing desk, his head bowed on his breast and a revolver in his right hand. He was not dead then but groaned heavily, and was unconscious. Medical assistance was at once called in when it was found that a bullet had entered the right temple, passed through the head and out of the skull just over the right eye. The unfortunate man expired a few minutes after the medical examination. A cousin of the deceased, although unable to suggest a motive for the deed, said that the man had been addicted to drinking and was in fear lately of losing his situation on that account. The suicide had been many years in the employment of the firm, was in receipt of a good salary and was a more or less popular man in the Model Settlement.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The following report of the proceedings at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council was omitted, owing to pressure on our space, from last night's issue:—

THE AUDIT DEPARTMENT.

On the vote of \$10,000 for the Audit Department, the Acting Colonial Secretary, having read the report of the Select Committee, said he regretted that he was compelled to move that the sum of \$10,000 be voted for this service, but in doing so they were on following the instructions of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer seconded the vote. Mr. P. Ryrie—The unofficial members have a very strong opinion on this point. They are told they cannot propose any increase, but can express their opinion as to a decrease, and think this is a legitimate case for a decrease. The colony is not satisfied with having an auditor to audit merely one side of the accounts, the other side having to go home for audit. This is disapproved of by nearly every one in the colony. It is a curious arrangement altogether. We had Auditors in former years who did their work here, and latterly we have had the Colonial Secretary who did the Auditor's work. Now we are asked for \$10,000 of which the resident Auditor only gets \$4,000, and we would like to know who gets the other \$6,000. We are entirely in the dark in the matter.

Mr. T. Whitehead—I beg to move that the vote be reduced by \$10,000.

His Excellency—The hon. member who has just spoken has moved that.

Mr. T. H. Whitehead—Then I beg to second it, and I would further wish to say that I think no audit can be perfect which is not done altogether locally. To audit one side of the accounts ten thousand miles away from this, to business men does seem strange and somewhat absurd. His Excellency—I believe during the course of last year this matter was brought forward in Council by Sir William. I was not present at the time, and therefore I do not know exactly what took place, but I believe he asked the Council to vote a certain sum of money in order that this audit might be introduced as a tentative measure, and it was agreed to. He informed the Secretary of State of the vote that was passed, and upon that the local auditor was sent out and arrangements made for auditing one portion of the accounts in England. Under these circumstances it would be impossible for the Government to accede to a reduction of this vote in the manner that has been proposed, but after the observations that have been made by the hon. members of course it will be my duty to convey to the Secretary of State the views entertained on the subject and the observations that have been made not only to-day, but the conclusions come to by the Select Committee on this subject. Of course, as I need hardly remark, it is quite open to any unofficial member to move the reduction of any vote proposed, although I am sure the hon. members will understand that in regard to some of these matters official members have no discretion but to support the proposals made. With regard to the additions made to the increase of salaries, I can only say I have been endeavoring to get a reasonable doubt exists as to the reading of the Secretary of State's despatch—and the unofficial members have expressed a desire that the salaries should be increased—to give effect to that desire, and in such cases the salaries have been increased, but further than that the Government cannot go. At the same time all the recommendations will be submitted to the Secretary of State, and if he approve of the views of the unofficial members he can at any time authorize the Governor to give the increase recommended, so far as this particular matter is concerned. It has been moved and seconded that the sum of \$10,000 be voted for the Audit Department. To that an amendment has been moved and duly seconded that the item be omitted altogether. In regard to these matters of expenditure it is only right the Council should divide; in fact there is no other course to pursue.

The division was then taken on the amendment with the following result:—

FOR.	AGAINST.
Hon. P. Ryrie	The Acting Governor
Hon. C. P. Chatter	The Acting Colonial Secretary
Hon. W. J. Kirk	The Acting Assistant-Secretary
Hon. J. J. Kirk	The Acting Colonial Treasurer
Hon. J. H. Kirk	The Acting Registrar-General

The amendment was therefore lost by a majority of one.

VOICES AGREED TO.

The Council passed the following votes:—
Treasury Department \$23,168 being an increase of \$4,068 on amount originally proposed.
Surveyor-General's Department \$76,724.
Post Office \$120,000. Registrar-General's Department \$23,977. Harbour Department \$56,526. Lighthouses \$14,000. Stamp Office \$4,248. Afforestation Department \$21,059. Departments of the Law \$69,883. Colonial Chaplaincy \$7,832. Medical Departments \$67,035. Miscellaneous \$12,908. The Police Force \$226,613. Sanitary \$35,872. Fire Brigade \$20,482. Victoria Department \$65,977. Miscellaneous Services \$14,302, including \$19,000 for electric lighting. A lengthy addendum drawn up by the unofficial members was read by the Acting Colonial Secretary when the vote of \$23,168 as Military Contribution was brought forward. The vote was carried by the official majority of one. His Excellency stating that he would forward

the addenda to the Secretary of State together with his own further remarks on the subject. It was then decided that the business before the Public Works Committee should be referred to the Finance Committee in order that the views of members might be expressed publicly.

BILLS PASSED COMMITTEE.

The Squatters Ordinance, 1890, and a Bill to give further powers to companies to alter their memoranda of association passed through committee with slight amendments, subsequent to which the Council adjourned until Monday, the 8th instant.

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE GARRISON THEATRE.

The miscellaneous entertainment at the Garrison Theatre last night must be played upon the record of successful "shows" in Hongkong. The house was packed from floor to ceiling with an audience who were apparently in the best of humour with themselves and the world at large. The first part of the entertainment took the form of a concert in which some of the local amateurs assisted. Messrs. C. H. Grace, G. P. Lammett and D. McDonald contributing in no small degree to the success of the performance. Mr. R. H. Smyth gave a capital rendering of that good old Irish ditty "Father O'Flynn," for which he received so many encores that we grew tired of counting them. After the interval the amusing farcical comedy *Peacock's Holiday* was produced, with Sergt. Grestock, of course, as Anthony Peacock. Mr. Grestock is a comedian of ability and gave a very satisfactory rendering of the character. His local allusions especially were well timed and "took" like glue. He was ably supported by Tennant, Hunt, Smith, and C. Smith, J. Dade. Of the ladies only one thing can be said and especially of Mesdames Saunders and Hackett both of whom displayed considerable talent. That the whole performance was a most enjoyable one goes without saying and more of the same class would be both welcomed and appreciated.

A CAUTION TO YOUTHS.

The Portuguese boy Thomas Collaco, whom it was thought at one time had been fatally stabbed by a Chinese boy at Victoria School on the 19th ult., has sufficiently recovered to enable him to appear at the Police Court this morning when Mr. Wodehouse heard his statement and that of his Celestial antagonist, Wong Cheung. The complainant said that on Monday the 18th ult. at 2 p.m. he was standing outside the school-house door when he saw a Chinese boy go to the school-room window and use some vulgar language to the pupils inside. Some of the girls began to call out to the boys asking them to send the Chinese youth away. A Portuguese boy named Alvas then tried to hunt the young ruffian, but he refused to go and gave the boy Alvas a push, after which he knocked him down and tried to stab him. Thereupon witness interfered and took the knife from him, and threw it away. The Celestial demanded 25 cents from the complainant as cost of the knife, but the complainant told him he had no money and went back to school. The following day the complainant when going to school, saw the Chinese boy whom he had had the dispute with the previous day, together with the prisoner. The prisoner told the latter to press complainant for payment for the knife and if he didn't pay the prisoner said he should "knife" him. The complainant then rushed at him with clenched fist, stabbed him in the left loin and ran away. The complainant then went into the school-room and after reporting to the teacher, Mr. Brady, went to the Government Civil Hospital. Neither of the Chinese youths were pupils of the school. The prisoner then made the following statement:—"The complainant threw a knife away belonging to a fellow countryman who asked him to pay for it, which he promised to do the following day. The Chinese boy came to the prisoner and said 'knife' him. The youth had refused to pay for the knife and wanted prisoner to go with him to the complainant as a witness, which he did. He said the other Chinese boy stabbed the prisoner and ran away. He did not do it." The case was remanded until Saturday, the 7th inst.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB V. UNITED SERVICES.

The above match, under Rugby Union rules, came off yesterday afternoon at the Recreation Ground, where there were many ladies. Much interest was evinced in the game but we would remind onlookers that they should be careful not to pass over the touch lines during play. At 4.45, the ball was kicked off by the club. From the first it was not easy to distinguish one side from the other as coloured jerseys predominated all over the field and rendered "passing" a somewhat risky operation. We first noticed a clever run by Atkinson who was followed by several. Several scrimmages were formed and there, the referee, who was in Hongkong football, the game was mainly composed. From a good pass by Atkinson, Dow nearly got in, but was prevented by Young who got away with the ball and was only just tackled in the nick of time after a brilliant run, by Ross Thomson close to the goal line. Dow then made a good run and should have passed through the club forwards—amongst whom we were glad to see G. H. Potts once more—now carried the ball well up the field and Burns in a smart run landed the ball in touch. Next came a pretty kick by Burns and an attempt at passing by the Services, of whom Blair and Dundas were noticeable, the ball being kept for some time in the club's twenty-five. Nothing of note occurred till half time, no score having been made by either side.

Boyle next kicked off for the Services and the play at once became fast and furious. Dow was again to the fore and in a pretty run took the ball well into the enemy's camp—Simpson passed to Burns and Burns to Dow the latter nearly succeeding in dropping a goal, and compelled the Services to touch down in self-defence. At this point Blair made the best run of the day but was collared a few feet from the goal. Scrimmage after scrimmage now took place in the Club's twenty-five, but Burns at last got a chance and relieved his party—Dundas got the ball and passed to Stewart who was soon thrown. Some "give and take" play now occurred and the next feature was a run by Young which ended in a series of scrimmages, the ball being gradually worked down to the Club's twenty-five. A dashing run by Dow relieved his side and strenuous efforts were made by both sides to score—touch downs in self defence resulting to both parties; but no point of importance was scored and the game was therefore left drawn.

For the Services Blair at three-quarters and Kirk at full back were invaluable, and it is not too much to say that without their aid the Club would have had an easy victory. Dow for the Club played a brilliant game, and Burns passed well—Potts was a tower of strength amongst the forwards and Ross Thomson as back was in his usual good form. The want of distinguishing

colours militates greatly against good "passing," and we hope next time there is a Rugby Union game to see the club's team wearing their own colours—blue and white. Since this difficulty has been overcome by the Association players a marked improvement in their game has been noted, and it will be the same when the Rugby union men follow their example. The following composed the teams:—

THE CLUB.

Full back.

R. Ross Thomson (Capt.)

Three-quarter-backs.

—Burns. G. M. Dow.

Half-backs.

J. M. Atkinson. F. T. Simpson.

Forwards.

K. A. Stevens. R. M. Deffer.

A. Chapman. J. Anderson.

E. Ezekiel. E. B. Shepherd.

G. H. Potts. F. T. Anon.

H. W. Slade.

UNITED SERVICES.

Full back.

H. B. Kirk, A. & S. H.

Three-quarter-backs.

E. M. Blair, R. E. Lieut. Stewart, R. N.

F. C. Dundas, A. & S. H. E. G. Young, R. E.

Half-backs.

S. S. Clarke, A. & S. H. D. H. Barker.

Forwards.

Capt. McDonogh, R. E. G. G. Boyle, R. A.

Capt. Henderson, A. & S. H. Lieut. Henniker, R. N.

Capt. Robinson, A. & S. H. L. MacLachlan, R. N.

F. L. Jackson, A. & S. H. Lieut. Stevens, R. N.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE CONSPIRACY CASE.

"WHERE JUDGES DIFFER."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—After performing the painful duty of passing sentence the other day in this now notorious case, the Chief Justice whose language throughout a carefully written judgment was of the most guarded description and especially with regard to the verdict of the jury, referred in the following terms to a medical certificate from Dr. Jas. Cantile (which stated in effect that one of the victims (Mr. Fraser-Smith) was far gone in consumption, had suffered from a severe cough for the past nine months which all his (the Doctor's) care and attention had failed to remove, and that any close confinement would be dangerous to health and life):—"The paper written by Dr. Cantile, which is not on oath, is not for me to take any notice of. If there is anything affecting the health of a person in prison it is the duty of the Executive to see that no injury results, and it is quite open to the Governor either to remit the hard labour which I consider it my duty to order, or to shorten the punishment if the interests of the case require it. It is my duty to pass the sentence that I have done, etc."

The first thing that came to my mind on hearing what to me was altogether a new doctrine in judicial practice, was that Hongkong is to be congratulated on the possession of a Judge who, in sentencing innocent men to imprisonment with hard labour, could so calmly emulate something like the self-abnegation of the immortal Brutus by sacrificing his personal feelings and convictions at the shrine of duty. You will see, Sir, that I give Sir James Russell the credit for still endorsing the accuracy of his own directions to the jury, notwithstanding that four members of that tribunal either ignorantly, or wilfully refused to be guided by the legal training and varied experience of his lordship. The second thing that struck me was a very grave doubt whether the learned Judge was quite right in saying that Dr. Cantile's medical certificate was a paper that was not for him to take any notice of. My own experience of courts at home, goes entirely in the opposite direction, and I confess I felt puzzled. I may add that this is not the first anomaly that has puzzled me in the various modes and peculiarities of procedure in vogue in the local law courts since my arrival here. But to resume. I went home, got out my chess-board, usually an infallible mentor in solving knotty problems—and with the aid of an extra strong cup of tea commenced to think it out, to see if I could reasonably reconcile my own fairly extensive experience with the Chief Justice's practice. It was no use; the only possible explanation that seemed to me at all feasible was the fact that Dr. Cantile's statement had not been sworn in the form of an affidavit; but that could only be a pitiful and worthless quibble, as medical certificates, although constantly given effect to in the law courts, are not generally on oath. I do not presume to positively assert that Sir James Russell may not have had sufficient warrant for refusing to take any notice of a doctor's certificate the authenticity of which he did not dispute; but I am unable to find a precedent for the position he assumed, and I am quite sure it is a most unusual if not an altogether unheard of course for a Judge to adopt. Allow me for public notice to state a few points on which the practice usually observed at home under similar circumstances, reported in London papers received by last mail.

At the October sessions of the Central Criminal Court a commercial traveller named Howes pleaded guilty to having committed bigamy, and the only extenuation put forward in his favour was that, having lost his situation, he was unable to keep up the allowance he had been making his first wife. He admitted that he had represented himself to his second wife as a single man, although his first was then and is still alive. Dr. Gilbert of Holloway Gao, stated that the prisoner was in such a weak state of health that he was altogether unable to perform hard labour. And the Common Sergeant, on the strength of this medical certificate, bound the prisoner over in the sum of £20 to come up for judgment, if called upon. The next case on the roll was also a charge of bigamy, against Thomas Bounfield, a brewer, who likewise pleaded guilty, with no medical evidence tendered as to ill-health, and Bounfield was sentenced to ten months' hard labour. And yet the Chief Justice of Hongkong deliberately states from the Bench that it is not for him to take notice of medical opinions which in fairly strong terms indicate that imprisonment will certainly hasten and may probably result in death. Where judges differ, etc.

This is not a question of justice *versus* Mercy. It is a matter of practice and precedent. I take it for granted, and tried to give ample grounds for that conclusion in my letter of November 22nd published in your paper, that there cannot be two honest opinions as to the wrongful verdict returned by a majority of one juror—a verdict entirely unsupported by any valid evidence—and that two men are in consequence being unjustly treated as convicted criminals. And if the four jurors responsible for this verdict, or any one or more of them, will arrange to meet me in strict confidence and state on what grounds they based their decision, I will undertake to prove to the satisfaction and to the satisfaction of any lawyer

or man of ordinary intelligence in this colony whom they choose to appoint as arbitrator, that the verdict of guilty was entirely unsupported either by the direct testimony of witnesses or by any grounds from which reasonable inferences could be deduced, and on the Judge's decision was also had in law. Any communication addressed to the care of the *Hongkong Telegraph* office will be punctually acknowledged.

There are just one or two points more in the Chief Justice's written judgment to which I might briefly direct attention without prejudice or desiring to give offence. His lordship made special, and in my opinion gratuitous reference to the fact that the crime with which the prosecutor Minihinnit was charged at the Magistrate's (meaning rape), if proved, was punishable in England with penal servitude for life, and in the Colonies (presumably meaning the Australian Colonies) with capital punishment; and he added—the very circumstance wording again struck me forcibly—"the finding of the jury is that you agreed to bring, and did bring this charge, knowing it to be false, or not believing it to be true, and from malice." That was technically the finding of four out of the seven jurors, and I charitably incline to the belief that these four gentlemen could not have been positively clear as to the exact issue; but I am morally certain as to the conclusion arrived at by the Chief Justice, quite distinct from what he considered to be his duty after the verdict had once been given. Everybody knows that judges almost invariably in passing sentence, when referring to the verdict of a jury with which they agree—and in that verdict I concur—or they express that view in somewhat similar terms; but I noticed that Sir James Russell carefully abstained from making use of the time-honoured phrase, which to me as a lawyer and acute observer was particularly significant. It is absolutely true that at home rape may be punished with penal servitude for life, and it is also the fact that in at least some of the Australian colonies—not in all I think—the crime is a capital offence; but surely the Chief Justice does not believe that any one who accused, which has to be taken for what it was worth. It would have been much more to the purpose in hand (I mean the question of sentence) had the Chief Justice pointed out that the prosecution of Minihinnit for rape was undertaken by the Capt. Superintendent of the Hongkong Police, acting for the Government, on his own personal responsibility, who had publicly avowed his responsibility in Court, and that there was nothing to show that the second defendant (Fraser-Smith) had anything to do with that prosecution, either in laying the information or in connection with the trial before the magistrate. His lordship doubtless meant well, and he possibly only followed in the beaten track; but his observations were anything but judicial, and in venturing that opinion I am not overlooking the full value of the verdict of the four special jurors. It will be a bad day for English justice when our judges make a practice of holding a second brief as what witty Mr. W. S. Gilbert might not inaptly designate the Lord High Executioner.

I cannot, of course, say whether or not the Chief Justice has made special representations to the Acting Governor with respect to the results of this trial; but I consider, as my opinion will find few dissenters amongst the legal profession, whatever public opinion may be, that as the verdict was altogether contrary to the evidence and manifestly unjust; it was his lordship's duty unless he entirely ignores the practice invariably followed by English Judges, to do so without delay, after passing sentence.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
LEGAL.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1890.

A HARD CASE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
SIR,—May I appeal to you as the only source from which I am likely to have justice done me by making my grievance public. As a Peruvian subject I have appealed to the Consul my country, both personally and by letter, without having received any definite response to my petition.

I therefore beg that you will permit me through the medium of your paper to lay before

The proclamations referred to are follows:—

No. 1.
To Her Britannic Majesty's subjects, Macao,
20th January, 1848.
Her Majesty's plenipotentiary has now to
announce the conclusion of preliminary arrange-
ments between the Imperial Commissioner and
himself involving the following conditions:—
1. The cession of the island and harbor of
Hongkong to the British crown. All just charges
and duties to the empire upon the commerce
carried on there to be paid as if the trade were
conducted at Whampoa.

2. An indemnity to the British government of
six millions of dollars; one million payable at
once, and the remainder in equal annual instal-
ments ending in 1866.

3. Direct official intercourse between the
countries upon equal footing.

4. The trade of the port of Canton to be opened
within ten days after the Chinese New Year, and
to be carried on at Whampoa till further arrange-
ments are practicable at the new settlement.
Details remain matter of negotiation. The
plenipotentiary seizes the earliest occasion to
declare that Her Majesty's government has
sought for no privilege in China exclusively for
the advantage of British ships and merchants,
and he is only performing his duty in offering the
protection of the British flag to the subjects,
citizens, and the trade of foreign Powers that may
resort to Her Majesty's possession. Pending
Her Majesty's further pleasure, there will be no
port or other charges to the British government.

The plenipotentiary now permits himself to
make a few general observations. The oblivion
of past and redressed injuries will follow naturally
from the right feeling of the Queen's subjects.—
Indeed it should be remembered that no extent
of modification resulting only from political
intervention can be efficacious in the steady
improvement of our condition, unless it be
systematically seconded by conciliatory treat-
ment of the people and becoming deference for
the country upon the threshold of which we are
about to be established. The plenipotentiary
can only presume to advert very briefly to the
zeal and wisdom of the commander of the
expedition to China, and to that rare union of
ardor, patience, and forbearance which has
distinguished the officers and forces of our arms
at all points of occupation and operation. He is
well assured the British community will sym-
pathize cordially with him in his sentiments of
lasting respect for His Excellency and the whole
force, which he is ashamed to express in such
inadequate language.

He cannot conclude without declaring that
next to these causes, the peaceful adjustment of
difficulties must be ascribed to the scrupulous
good faith of the very eminent person with whom
negotiations are still pending.

(Signed) CHARLES ELLIOT,
H. M. Plenipotentiary in China.

Circular.

Macao, January 20th, 1848.

Her Majesty's plenipotentiary considers it
incumbent upon himself to lose no time in
assuring the commercial community that he will
use his best efforts with Her Majesty's govern-
ment to secure an early and entire advance of
their claims for indemnity. And mindful of the
interests of parties in India, he will not fail
respectfully to move the Right Honorable the
Governor-General of India to second these
purposes as far as may seem just to his lordship.

(Signed) CHARLES ELLIOT,
Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary.

No. 2.

PROCLAMATION. By Charles Elliot, Esq., a
captain in the Royal Navy, Chief Superin-
tendent of the trade of British subjects in
China, and holding full powers under the
Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, to execute the office of
Her Majesty's Commissioner, Procurator,
and Plenipotentiary in China.

The island of Hongkong having been ceded
to the British crown under the seal of the
Imperial minister and high commissioner Keesen,
it has become necessary to provide for the
government thereof, pending Her Majesty's
further pleasure.

By virtue of the authority therefore, in me
vested, all Her Majesty's Rights, Royalties,
Privileges of all kinds whatever, in and over the
said island of Hongkong, whether to or over
lands, harbours, property, or personal service, are
herby declared, proclaimed, and to Her Majesty
fully reserved.

And I do hereby declare and proclaim, that
pending Her Majesty's further pleasure, the
government of the said island shall devolve upon
and be exercised by the person filling the office
of Chief Superintendent of the trade of British
subjects in China for the time being.

And I do hereby declare and proclaim, that,
pending Her Majesty's further pleasure, the
native of the island of Hongkong, and all
subjects of China thereto resorting, shall be
governed according to the laws and customs of
China, every description of torture excepted.

And I do further declare and proclaim, that,
pending Her Majesty's further pleasure, all
offences committed in Hongkong by Her Majesty's
subjects, or other persons than natives of the
island or of China thereto resorting, shall fall
under the cognizance of the Criminal and
Admiralty jurisdiction presently existing in
China.

And I do further declare and proclaim, that,
pending Her Majesty's further pleasure, all
British subjects and foreigners residing in, or
resorting to the island of Hongkong shall enjoy
full security and protection, according to the
principles and practice of British law so long as
they shall continue to conform to the authority
of Her Majesty's government in and over the
island of Hongkong, hereby duly constituted and
proclaimed.

Given under my
hand and seal of
office on board of Her
Majesty's ship *Hel-
drey*, at anchor in
Hongkong Bay, this
twenty-sixth day of
January, in the year
one thousand eight
hundred and forty-
one.

(Sd) CHARLES ELLIOT.

God save the Queen.

(True Copy) EDWARD ELLIOT,
Secretary and Treasurer, &c.

No. 3.

Bremer, Commander-in-Chief, and Elliot,
Plenipotentiary, &c. &c., by this Proclamation
make known to the inhabitants of the island of
Hongkong, that that island has now become
part of the dominions of the Queen of England
by clear public agreement between the high
officers of the Celestial and British Courts: And
all native persons residing therein must under-
stand that they are now subjects of the Queen
of England, to whom and to whose officers they
must pay duty and obedience.

The inhabitants are hereby promised protection
in Her Majesty's gracious name, against all
enemies whatever; and they are further secured
in the free exercise of their religious rites,
ceremonies, and social customs; and in the

enjoyment of their lawful private property
and interests. They will be governed, pending
Her Majesty's further pleasure, according to the
laws, customs, and usages of the Chinese (every
description of torture excepted), by the elders of
villages, subject to the control of a British
magistrate; and any person having complaint to
prefer of ill-usage or injustice against any
Englishman or foreigner, will quickly make
report to the nearest officer, to the end that full
justice may be done.

Chinese ships and merchants resorting to the
port of Hongkong for purposes of trade are hereby
exempted, in the name of the Queen of
England, from charge or duty of any kind to
the British government. The pleasure
of the Government will be declared from time to
time by further proclamation: And all heads of
villages are held responsible that the commands
are duly respected and observed.

Given under Seal of Office, the 1st day of
February, 1841.

(To be continued.)

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

CANTON, December 1st.

A daring piratical attack was made on a steam
launch belonging to the Wei Sing farmer about
25 miles from Canton on Wednesday last, when
the launch was boarded and seized, the crew
being bound and landed on the shore and the
launch taken away by the pirates, who had an
engineering staff with them. It is feared they
have gone off with the launch on piratical raids
either into the interior or along the coast, and
will eventually put the launch on shore and turn
up with their plunder in Macao; from which
place it is stated the raid was organized.
Five women and a number of children were
raved by the pirates and were packed off to
Hongkong and Macao for sale, so it is to be
hoped the Police at Hongkong will be on the
alert and use every effort to capture some of
these miscreants. By later advices it appears
that after boarding and plundering several
passenger boats and one silk boat the scoundrels
scuttled the launch and made off. The Wei Sing
farmer was obliged to give up the launch and the
authorities and the consequence is the pirates
will probably get clear off with their plunder
either to Macao or Hongkong.

The subscription ball given last night by the
Shameen community went off with great
glad at the Shameen Hotel, which had been taste-
fully decorated by the crew of H.M.S. *Merlin*.
Dancing was persevered in until a late hour.

A bazaar for the benefit of the Baxter
Mission, it is rumoured, is to be held on Thurs-
day evening next in the ball room of the
Shameen Hotel, under the auspices of the ladies
resident in Canton and the gracious presi-
dency of Mrs. Chaloner Alabaster. It promises
to be a public execution.

The public executioner had a pretty busy time
of it last week at the "Potter's field," for no less
than twelve criminals were executed; amongst
them being a notorious Swatow brave and the
two men recently extradited from Hongkong.
A new Provincial Treasurer has been appointed
in lieu of Kwei who was en route to fill the post,
but has been taken suddenly ill. The provincial
Judge of Hupeh, Tsing, a Manchou, has been
appointed Fung of Kwang-tung province, and
it is likewise rumoured a new Hoppo has been
appointed to relieve the present occupant of that
post.

PROGRAMME OF THE FOCHOW
RACES.

FIRST DAY.—TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1890.

THE STERWARDS' CUP, (presented), value \$100; for
all China Ponies; weights as per scale; en-
trance \$5. Half a mile.

THE MARDEN STAKES, forced entry of \$10 each
with \$50 added; \$125 to the First Pony, \$25
to the Second; for subscription Grifflins;
weights as per scale Three-quarters of a mile.

THE CHAASZ CUP, value \$100; second pony
to receive \$25; entrance \$5; for Subscription
Grifflins of this or previous meetings; weights
as per scale. One mile and a half.

THE COMPADROES' CUP, value \$5; for all
China ponies; entrance \$5; weights as per
scale. One mile.

THE STAND STAKES, of \$5 each, with \$30 added,
divided 70, 20 and 10 per cent to the First,
Second and Third Ponies; for Subscription
Grifflins of this or previous meetings; weights
as per scale; winners 7 lbs. extra. One mile.

THE HONGKONG CUP, (presented), value \$200;
entrance \$10; for all China Ponies; weights
as per scale; winners 7 lbs. extra. One mile
and a half.

THE MIN STAKES, forced entry of \$10; for
Subscription Grifflins; weights as per scale;
winners 7 lbs. extra. One mile and a quarter.

SECOND DAY.—WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

THE KUSHAN CUP, value \$100; forced entry of
\$5; for subscription Grifflins weights as per
scale; winners 5 lbs. extra for each race won.
One mile.

THE TOTALISATOR CUP, value \$150 with \$50 to
second and \$15 to the third; entrance \$10;
for all China Ponies; weights as per scale;
winners of one race 7 lbs. extra, of 2 or more
10 lbs. extra. One mile and a half.

THE HAKWAN CUP, (presented), value \$150;
entrance \$5; for Subscription Grifflins of
this or previous meetings; weights as per
scale; winners at this meeting 10 lbs. extra;
previous non-starters 7 lbs. extra. Once round.

THE HACK STAKES, Sweepstakes of \$10 each
with \$100 added; for all China Ponies; weights
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Intimations. EMPIRE BOTTLED ALE,

PINTS.....PER DOZEN \$1.50
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IN SPLENDID CONDITION.

SOLE AGENTS

HONGKONG TRADING CO., LTD.

17 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1890.

MARINE HOTEL

HONGKONG.

THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, that

THE MARINE HOTEL is NOW OPEN.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL is situated on the Praya West, opposite the Old P. & O.

Wharf, and is newly built after the designs of the Largest European Hotels—the BEDROOMS,

BATH-ROOMS, &c., are commodious, well Ventilated, and are suitable for

Single or Married Persons. The DINING ROOM is large and looks on the Harbour.

The TABLE D'HOTE will be supplied with the best market can provide.

The BAR and BILLIARD ROOMS are on the Ground Floor, and are fitted up in

superior style. ENGLISH and AMERICAN TABLES.

WINES and LIQUORS of the best qualities and Brands only will be supplied.

The Undersigned therefore begs the patronage of the Public, hoping to give every satisfaction.

JAS. EDWARDS, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1890.

THE LADIES PURSE.—(Presented); entrance \$5; for

all Subscription Grifflins of this or previous

meetings; weights as per scale; winners at

this or previous meetings 7 lbs. extra; Riders

who have never won a race allowed 7 lbs.

Once round.

THE SILVER CHALLENGE CUP, entrance \$10; for

all Subscription Grifflins of this or previous

meetings; to be won twice by a pony the

bona fide property of some owner, or owners;

the entrance fees to go to the Club, and \$100

to be paid to winner; except in the case of the

cup being finally won; and \$20 to the second

pony; weights as per scale. One mile and a

quarter.

THE CONSOLATION CUP, value \$100; second

Pony to receive \$25; entrance \$5

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 238 per cent. premium buyers.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, New Issue—\$250 per share, sellers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$93 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$63 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 340 per share, sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$118 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 70 per share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$325 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$88 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$751 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$371 per share, buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—130 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$165 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$401.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. discount, sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$47 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$169 per share, buyers.
 Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$92 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$91 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$22 per share, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—4 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Rone Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$195 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25 per share, nominal.
 Puntum and Sunghie Dva Samantan Mining Co.—\$1 per share, buyers.
 The Rango Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—\$1.25 per share, buyers.
 Imuris Mining Co., Ltd.—\$104 per share, cum "call," sellers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$11 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$78 per share, buyers.
 Tongwin Coal Mining Co.—\$450 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$105 per share, buyers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Ltd.—\$62 per share, buyers.
 The Seng Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$11 per share, sellers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$10 per share, nominal.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—50 per cent. dis., sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$11 per share, sellers.
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 On India, T. T. 2/20
 On Demand 2/20
 ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 72
 Private, 30 days' sight 72

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

PHRA NANO, British steamer, 1,021, W. H. Watson, 1st Dec.—Bangkok 22nd Nov., and Amoy 24th, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 MODOC, American bark, 430, P. Borck, 1st Dec.—Newchwang 17th Nov., Beams—Chinese.
 OKUS, French steamer, 1,808, Delacroix, 1st Dec.—Shanghai 20th Nov., Malle and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
 CLARA, German steamer, 674, Christensen, 2nd Dec.—Haiphong 29th November, General.—A. R. Marty.
 HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, S. Ashton, 2nd Dec.—Fochow 28th Nov., Amoy 30th, and Swatow 1st Dec., General.—D. Laprak & Co.
 TRIUMPH, German steamer, 675, J. Bruhn, 2nd Dec.—Whampoa 2nd Dec., General.—Weller & Co.
 LOTHIAN, British bark, 703, Thos. G. Grady, 2nd Dec.—Chefoo 22nd Nov., General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 IMPREUSE, British steamer, 1st-class, 8,400 tons, 10,000 horse-power, 10 guns, Captain W. H. May, 2nd Dec.—Port Hamilton 29th November.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 HAILONG, British steamer, for Amoy.
 FOLLIN, German steamer, for Saigon.
 DREYER, British steamer, for Kobe, &c.
 LAMAR, British steamer, for Surabaya.
 ALMA, British steamer, for Kutchinotsu.

DEPARTURES.
 December 1, Taitung, British str., for Whampoa.
 December 1, Ashington, German steamer, for Whampoa.
 December 1, Fannie Tucker, American ship, for New York.
 December 1, Adam W. Spies, American bark, for New York.
 December 2, Fokien, British str., for Swatow.
 December 2, Nierstein, German steamer, for Whampoa.
 December 2, Norden, Norwegian steamer, for Kutchinotsu.
 December 2, Swift, Chinese str., for Amoy.
 December 2, Peitang, German str., for Shanghai.
 December 2, Hailong, British steamer, for Amoy, &c.
 December 2, Ardgay, British str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.
 Per Ozu, str., from Shanghai for Hongkong.—Mr. Mrs. and Miss Greenlee, Mr. and Mrs. Auslin, Mr. and Mrs. Caddick, Mrs. Wilson, Messrs. Loo Chi Sang, Chong Soo Sing, Beovide, Eickel and infant, and Chinese. From Yokohama.—Miss Y. Seki. From Kobe.—Messrs. I. Mosely, Reginald Legros, Ed. Georges, S. Keda, and servant. From Shanghai for Saigon.—Messrs. Bussion and Bischoff. For Singapore.—Mrs. Clark and 2 sons, and Mr. Groul. For Batavia.—Mr. Robert Meyer. For Colombo.—Mrs. Hammes, and Mr. Kraiss. For Manille.—Messrs. J. Valdes, Victor Hinard, Rasmussen, and 4 boys. From Yokohama for Hongkong.—Messrs. J. Bagennot, Shabudin and Luggers' servant. For Manille.—Messrs. Roux, Shigeru, Iwanura, R. Shimizu, and A. Alexandre. From Kobe for Singapore.—Mr. Keck. For Colombo.—Mr. George Einhorn.
 Per Phra Nang, str., from Bangkok, &c.—Mr. Moran, and 16 Chinese.
 Per Hailan, str., from Fochow, &c.—Bishop Burdon, Mr. and Mrs. Woodley, Mr. Fuller, and 16 Chinese.
 Per Clara, str., from Haiphong.—1 Chinese.
 Per Fokien, str., from Amoy.—200 Chinese.
 Per Peitang, str., for Shanghai.—12 Europeans and 40 Chinese.
 Per Namchow, str., for Amoy.—450 Chinese.

REPORTS.
 The French steamship Ouzo reports that she left Shanghai on the 29th ultimo. Had fine weather.
 The British cruiser Imperieuse reports that she left Port Hamilton on the 29th ultimo. Had fine weather throughout.
 The British steamship Phra Nang reports that she left Bangkok on the 22nd ultimo. Had strong south-east winds from Amoy to Pulo Obi, thence to port had strong to moderate monsoon.
 The British steamship Hailan reports that she left Fochow on the 28th ultimo at 11 a.m.; arrived at Amoy on the 29th at 6 a.m. Had fine weather and light northerly to north-east winds. Left Amoy on the 30th; arrived at Swatow at 5 p.m. the same day. Had fine weather. Left north-north-east winds and fine weather. Left Swatow at 4.30 p.m. on the 1st instant; arrived here this morning at 7 o'clock. Had light north-east winds and fine weather. In Fochow the steamship Taku and the bark Hailan. In Swatow the steamships Pakshan, Woosung, Hanchow, Choyang, Fidelity, and Tatchong.

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MAIL WILL CLOSE
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 For Mantong.—Per Denieros to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 9.30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygom, 1st Dec.—Hobow 20th November, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 ASHINGTON, German steamer, 908, Zende, 30th Nov.—Shanghai 27th November, Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
 AVOCHIE, British steamer, 1,055, T. Rowin, 20th Nov.—Kutchinotsu 24th November, Coals.—A. G. Morris.
 BENLAWERS, British steamer, 1,530, Alex. Webster, 30th November, Singapore 23rd Nov., General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 BISAONO, British steamer, 1,499, G. Orenco, 28th Nov.—Bombay 8th Nov., and Singapore 20th, General.—Carlowitz & Co.
 BORNEO, Dutch steamer, 1,590, H. Kleis, 20th Nov.—Singapore 22nd Nov., Sugar.—Chinese.
 CHINA, German steamer, 1,097, P. Voss, 20th Nov.—Saigon 24th Nov., Rice and Paddy.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
 CITY OF PEKING, American steamer, 3,120, R. R. Searle, 29th Nov.—San Francisco 1st Nov., and Yokohama 23rd, Mails and General.—P. M. S. Co.
 DREYER, German steamer, 1,197, W. Dinse, 21st Nov.—Bangkok 14th Nov., Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
 DEYAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, P. H. Loff, 27th Nov.—Bangkok 19th Nov., and Amoy 20th, Rice, Timber, and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, G. A. Taylor, 21st Nov.—Manila 18th Nov., General.—Russell & Co.
 DORSET, British steamer, 1,716, Daniel, 30th Nov.—Kutchinotsu 25th Nov., Coals.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 DORIS, German steamer, 771, Raben, 1st Dec.—Penang 20th Nov., General.—Melchers & Co.
 FALCON, British steamer, 117, J. H. St. John.—Hongkong Government tender.
 FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, J. Lewis, 30th Nov.—Swatow 29th Nov., General.—D. Laprak & Co.
 GWALIOR, British steamer, 1,648, Francis Cole, 28th Nov.—Bombay 8th Nov., and Singapore 21st, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 KUTSANG, British str., 1,495, W. O. M. Young, 27th Nov.—Calcutta 8th Nov., Penang 15th, and Singapore 19th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 LORD BACON, British steamer, 1,011, H. Magill, 3rd Nov.—Karatsu 28th October, Coals.—Captain.
 MEXNON, British steamer, 827, A. Dorff, 29th Nov.—Sandakan 24th Nov., Timber.—Butterfield & Swire.
 PEMBRORSKIRE, British steamer, 1,716, Dan-caster, 17th Nov.—Singapore 7th Nov., General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, A. Benson, 26th Nov.—Bangkok 18th Nov., and Amoy 19th, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PICCOLA, German steamer, 875, Th. Nissen, 24th Nov.—Bangkok 14th November, Rice.—Melchers & Co.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 POLLUX, German steamer, 898, H. Hellmers, 28th November.—Saigon 23rd November, Rice.—Melchers & Co.
 PRESTO, German steamer, 355, J. Jansen, 29th Nov.—Whampoa 29th Nov., General.—Siemssen & Co.

HONGKONG-STEAMERS.

Continued.

RIVERSDALE, British steamer, 1,311, James Mooney, 27th Nov.—Saigon 22nd Nov., Rice and Paddy.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 SUSSEX, British steamer, 1,520, H. F. Holt, 27th Nov.—Saigon 22nd November, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 TAI YICK, German steamer, 903, H. N. Emke, 27th Nov.—Whampoa 27th Nov., General.—Meyer & Co.
 TONGSHAN, British steamer, 1,111, Jas. Young, 24th Nov.—Singapore 7th November, and Bangkok 17th, Rice and Timber.—Kin Tye Lung.

MAILING VESSELS.

ALICE MARY, British bark, 361, S. Sampson, 24th October.—Albany, W.A., 12th August, Sandalwood.—Gillman & Co.
 CHARON WATTANA, Siamese bark, 656, W. L. Cain, 1st Sept.—Wah Hin 13th August, Timber and Sapanwood.—Cavatin.
 DON JUSTO, American bark, 746, B. Neilson, 30th Nov.—Amoy 26th Nov., Ballast.—Russell & Co.
 JAPAN, Peruvian bark, 198, M. Janila, 17th Nov.—Canton (Peru) 30th August, General.—Consulvies & Co.
 KAMBIRIA, British ship, 1,952, J. J. Bowell, 27th October.—Singapore 11th Oct., Timber.—Captain.
 KITTY, British bark, 850, H. Wilson, 17th Nov.—Haiphong 31st October, Coal.—D. Musso & Co.
 NICOLA, British bark, 504, B. Johnson, 15th October.—Albany 13th August, Sandalwood.—Captain.
 SANTA CRUZ, British schooner, 920, D. D. O'Keefe, 20th Nov.—Fellow Islands 11th Nov.—General.—Weller & Co.
 SARA MANSIDES, Peruvian schooner, 245, A. Munstgin, 4th July.—Saigon 27th June, Rice.—Captain.
 SEA WITCH, American ship, 1,288, Chas. Zibbels, 30th October.—New York 24th May, Kerosene Oil.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 ST. JULIEN, British bark, 1,049, W. J. King, 16th Oct.—New York 5th May, Petroleum.—Master.
 ST. NICHOLAS, American ship, 1,723, F. Carver, 16th Nov.—New York 29th June, Kerosene Oil.—Ordel.
 VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 25th Nov.—Honolulu 21st October, General.—Chinese.

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